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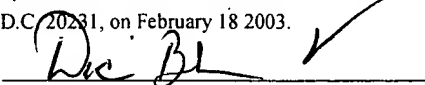
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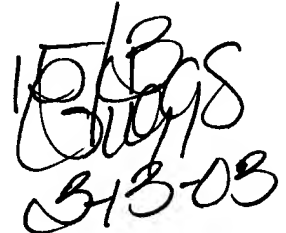
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2002 for which the initial period for response was set to expire on February 18, 2003. This Reply is thus believed to be timely filed.

Claims 16-30 are pending, with claims 27-30 withdrawn from consideration. Applicants have carefully reviewed the Action and request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and discussion.